

REMARKS

In this paper, claim 1 is currently amended. After entry of the above amendment, claims 1-14 are pending, and claims 15-20 have been canceled.

The applicant appreciates the allowance of claims 5-14.

An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) was submitted with the appropriate fee on October 5, 2005 and received in the PTO on October 21, 2005. If the IDS is not in the PTO file when the examiner considers this amendment, the examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned so that a duplicate copy may be provided.

Claims 1-4 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Bauwens, et al (US 4,860,176). This basis for rejection is respectfully traversed.

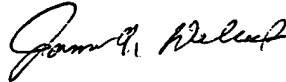
Claim 1 has been amended to clarify that the first switch control unit is controlled by a selected amount of power received from the power supply. Bauwens, et al disclose a lighting device for a vehicle wherein a relay (7, Fig. 5) controls switches (8) and (9) to supply power from one of a generator (1) or a battery (2) to lights (3) and (4). If desired, an electronic switch (19) shown in Fig. 6 may be used in place of relay (7) and switches (8) and (9). As a result, battery (2) prevents the illumination of lights (3) and (4) from varying in intensity or stopping when the bicycle stops. However, neither relay (7) nor electronic switch (19) is controlled by an amount of power received from a power supply as presently claimed.

Accordingly, it is believed that the rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102 has been overcome by the foregoing amendment and remarks, and it is submitted that the claims are in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of this application as amended is respectfully requested. Allowance of all claims is earnestly solicited.

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